

REMARKS

In the Advisory Action mailed December, 19, 2003, claims 5-8, 16, 17, 20, 21 and 23-26 remain allowed, while claims 1-4, 9-15, 18, 19, 22 and 27-29 and 31 remain rejected.

In response, Applicant proposes canceling the rejected claims 1-4, 9-15, 18, 19, 22, 27-29 and 31, leaving only the allowed claims pending. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration, and that a Notice of Allowance be issued for the allowed claims 5-8, 16, 17, 20, 21 and 23-26.

No additional fee is believed due with this response. However, should a fee be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1325.

Respectfully submitted,

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